

REMARKS

This paper is filed along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

In the Advisory Action of December 18, 2006, the Examiner maintains the rejections of claims 1-20 by stating that under the broadest reasonable interpretation, 'Target file checking data' can be any data related to 'target file checking.' The Examiner further states that Appendix B in Tridgell indicates the hardware including caches and RAM that generate the results in Tridgell.

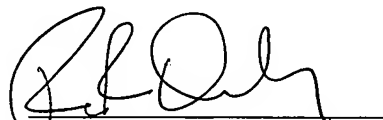
Accordingly, the Applicant amends independent claims 1, 11, 15, 19 and 20 to limit the "cache" to cache that is part of a storage device, for example a disk-based cache. This amendment is supported throughout the specification, for example at page 6, lines 3-5, page 10, lines 9-11, and FIG. 1. As the Examiner correctly points out, Tridgell specifically describes hardware cache, i.e., CPU-based cache, in the examples of Appendix B (e.g., "The CPUs have a 25 MHz clock speed and a 128KB cache." Appendix B, section B.1). Tridgell describes CPU based cache throughout the reference.

Filed herewith is a Request for a Two-Month Extension of Time, which extends the statutory period for response to expire on February 28, 2007. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

In view of the above amendment and remarks, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance. No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this response, however the Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 08-0219 for any required fee necessary to maintain the pendency of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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